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PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND ANNOTATIONS

Note by the Executive Secretary

I. INTRODUCTION

1. Arrangements have been made for the eighth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) to be held at the Hotel Maritim, Bonn, from 2 to 12 June 1998. The session is scheduled to be opened by the Chairman at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 2 June 1998.

2. Parties should be aware that this session of the SBI will differ from earlier sessions in that more time will be available for discussions, which will facilitate substantive negotiations by Parties. As time will be limited at its ninth session, the SBI should aim to arrive at conclusions on many of the issues before it at its eighth session.

II. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

3. The provisional agenda for the eighth session of the SBI, proposed after consultation with the Chairman, is as follows:

1. Opening of the session.

2. Organizational matters:

   (a) Adoption of the agenda;
   (b) Election of officers other than the Chairman;

(c) Organization of the work of the session;
(d) Allocation of work - issues arising from decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6;
(e) Organization of the work of future sessions.

3. National communications:

(a) Communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;
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4. Financial mechanism:

(a) Review process referred to in decision 9/CP.1;
(b) Guidance to the Global Environment Facility.

5. Second review of the adequacy of Article 4, subparagraphs 2 (a) and (b).

6. Review of information and possible decisions under Article 4, subparagraph 2 (f) of the Convention.

7. Implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Convention.

8. Mechanisms for cooperative implementation:

(a) Activities implemented jointly under the pilot phase;
(b) Joint implementation[1] - decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5 (c);
(c) Clean development mechanism - decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5 (e);
(d) Emissions trading - decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5 (b).

9. Arrangements for intergovernmental meetings:

(a) Arrangements for the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties;
(b) Calendar of meetings;
(c) Date and venue of the fifth session of the Conference of the Parties;
(d) Volume of documentation.

10. Administrative and financial matters:

(a) Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999;
(b) Financial performance in the biennium 1996-1997;

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[1] This sub-item relates to Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol and paragraph 5 (c) of decision 1/CP.3. The term "joint implementation" is used for convenience.

(c) Financial procedures,
(d) Administrative arrangements

11. Involvement of non-governmental organizations

12. Report on the session

III. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the session

4. The eighth session of the SBI is scheduled to be opened by the Chairman at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 2 June 1998.

2. Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda

5. The provisional agenda for the eighth session of the SBI is presented for adoption (see paragraph 3 above).

6. Sub-items 8 (b) to (d) of the provisional agenda are among the issues arising from decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5.[2] The Chairmen of the SBI and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) were requested to "give guidance to the secretariat on the preparatory work needed for consideration by the Conference of the Parties, at its fourth session" in relation to the issues listed in that paragraph and "to allocate work thereon to the respective subsidiary bodies, as appropriate". Following discussions between the Chairmen, sub-items 8 (b) to (d) have been placed on the provisional agendas of both bodies.

7. The Chairmen of the SBI and the SBSTA are holding informal consultations on the organization of work on the above-mentioned sub-items with a view to seeking an appropriate balance and avoiding duplication and overlap. Based on these consultations, a joint proposal will be made, and reproduced in document FCCC/SB/1998/3.

(b) Election of officers other than the Chairman

8. At its third session, the Conference of the Parties (COP 3) elected by acclamation the Chairman of the SBI. The COP agreed that consultations should continue with regard to nominations for the posts of vice-chairman and rapporteur with a view to their election at the

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[2] For decisions of the Conference of the Parties at its third session, see document FCCC/CP/1997/7/Add.1.

eighth session of the SBI (see FCCC/CP/1997/7). Early agreement on these nominations will enable the SBI to commence its substantive work in an efficient manner and permit the Chairman to share the responsibility of leadership.

(c) Organization of the work of the session

(i) Arrangements on sub-items 8 (b) to 8 (d) of the provisional agenda

9. The Chairmen of the SBSTA and the SBI will put forward an approach, in their joint proposal mentioned in paragraph 7 above, concerning the organization of work on issues arising from decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5. This approach may include such arrangements as joint meetings or the participation of the Vice-Chairman from one body in the meetings of the other.

(ii) Documentation

10. The provisional agenda has been drawn up taking account of the expected timely availability of documentation in the six languages of the United Nations. A list of documents relating to the provisional agenda, as well as other documents available at the session, is contained in the annex below.

(iii) Schedule

11. The scheduling of meetings for the session will be based on the availability of facilities during normal working hours when services are available for two meetings of Convention bodies with interpretation from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. There will also be some facilities for informal meetings without interpretation. Delegations are urged to use these facilities fully by attending all meetings promptly at the scheduled time. A schedule of meetings will be proposed after further consultations by the Chairmen on the organization of work and will be contained in the document mentioned in paragraph 7 above.

(d) Allocation of work - issues arising from decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6

12. In decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6, the COP invited the Chairmen of the SBSTA and the SBI "to make a joint proposal to those bodies, at their eighth sessions, on the allocation to them of preparatory work to enable the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol, at its first session after the entry into force of the Protocol, to accomplish the tasks assigned to it by the Protocol".

13. The joint proposal put forward by the Chairmen of the SBI and the SBSTA in response to the above-mentioned mandate is contained in document FCCC/SB/1998/1. Parties are invited to consider this joint proposal with a view to recommending, at the eighth sessions of the two subsidiary bodies, its adoption by the COP at its fourth session. Consideration of this matter

could be expedited by way of a joint contact group. The Chairmen may make further proposals in this regard.

(e) Organization of the work of future sessions

14. Having confirmed the allocation of preparatory work to the subsidiary bodies and using document FCCC/SB/1998/1 as a basis for discussion, Parties may also wish to address the programme of work necessary for the SBI to prepare for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties (COP/MOP 1) with a view to taking a decision, at its eighth session, which will enable substantive work to begin at the ninth session of the SBI. In particular, the SBI may wish to identify any priority areas for consideration and review how the tasks to be accomplished by COP/MOP 1 could best be integrated into the existing work programme. Parties may also wish to request any inputs from the secretariat which could assist in their deliberations. Consideration of the programme of work for COP/MOP 1 could also be dealt with in the joint contact group referred to in paragraph 13 above.

3. National communications

(a) Communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention

15. At its second session, by its decision 9/CP.2,[3] the COP requested Annex I Parties to submit to the secretariat, in accordance with Article 12.1 and 12.2 of the Convention, a second national communication by 15 April 1997. It also decided that the second national communications from Parties with economies in transition should, in principle, be submitted no later than 15 April 1998. Annex I Parties were also requested to submit to the secretariat national inventory data on emissions by sources and removals by sinks, on an annual basis, by 15 April of each year, following the principles contained in decision 3/CP.1.[4] The SBI may wish to take note of the list of submissions so far, and urge those Annex I Parties whose second national communications or annual national greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories are overdue, to submit them as soon as possible and, to the extent possible, provide submissions in electronic format.

16. The SBI, at its seventh session, took note of the first compilation and synthesis of second national communications (FCCC/SBI/1997/19 and Add.1) prepared by the secretariat. The COP, at its third session, by its decision 6/CP.3, requested the secretariat to prepare a full compilation and synthesis of second national communications from Annex I Parties for consideration at its fourth session and, in those years when a compilation and synthesis is not prepared, to prepare a report on national greenhouse gas inventories submitted annually by Parties. The secretariat

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[3] For decisions of the Conference of the Parties at its second session, see document FCCC/CP/1996/15/Add.1.

[4] For decisions of the Conference of the Parties at its first session, see document FCCC/CP/1995/7/Add.1.

proposes to update the compilation and synthesis on the basis of national communications received by 30 June 1998 and to provide a report, in English only, on national greenhouse gas inventories of any inventory data submitted by 30 September 1998. The secretariat also proposes, on the basis of inventory data submitted by 30 September, to make available each Party's annual emission inventories on the secretariat's Web site, as requested by the SBI at its seventh session. The SBI may wish to take note of the above and urge Parties to provide their submissions in accordance with the agreed schedule.

17. The SBI, at its seventh session, requested the secretariat to evaluate the feasibility of compiling and maintaining available supplementary data from authoritative sources on GHG emissions for the purpose of comparison with national submissions and to present a report on this comparison to the SBI at its ninth session. The secretariat intends to prepare a report for that session on the feasibility of compiling and maintaining such data and report on the comparison of such data, to the extent possible, taking into account any methodological work requested by SBSTA, in particular the comparison of GHG inventories obtained using best methodologies and those using current Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) default methodologies.

18. The secretariat has finished in-depth reviews of first national communications from Annex I Parties submitted between 1994 and 1997 and embarked on in-depth reviews of second national communications from these Parties. The SBI may wish to take stock of the first round of reviews based on the in-depth review reports of first national communications published so far. An information document (FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.1) contains information on the status of publication of first in-depth review reports, status of submission of second national communications, as well as the schedule for in-depth review visits for 1998.

19. The SBI will also have for its information the list of government-nominated experts for participation in the in-depth reviews (FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.2). As only a limited number of Parties have sent to the secretariat their corrections to the list made available at the seventh session of the SBI (FCCC/SBI/1997/CRP.7) or submitted new nominations, the SBI may wish to urge Parties to do so, to enable the secretariat to broaden its sources of national expertise.

(b) Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

(i) Provision of financial and technical support, including secretariat's observations on initial national communications

20. At its second session, by its decision 10/CP.2, paragraph 1 (a), the COP requested the secretariat, in accordance with Article 8.2(c), to facilitate assistance to Parties, particularly developing country Parties, in the preparation of their initial communications and to provide a report to the SBI and the SBSTA at each of their sessions. The progress report of the secretariat on these issues will be contained in document FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.3. As requested by the SBI at its seventh session, the progress report will also include the secretariat's observations on the initial communications submitted by non-Annex I Parties by 30 March 1998. An update to the

information on the indicated dates of submission of the initial national communications of non-Annex I Parties, which was presented to the SBI at its seventh session (FCCC/SBI/1997/INF.3), will be contained in document FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.3/Add.1.

(ii) Information on relevant action by the Council of the Global Environment Facility (GEF)

21. At its second session, by its decision 10/CP.2, paragraph 1 (b), the COP requested the secretariat to make available to the SBI, at each of its sessions, details of the financial support provided by the GEF to non-Annex I Parties for the preparation of their initial communications. This information will be contained in document FCCC/SBI/1998/MISC.1.

(iii) Process for considering non-Annex I Party communications

22. At its seventh session, the SBI took note of the views expressed by Parties and the text of the Co-chairs' draft compilation on the process for consideration of communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention. It invited Parties to submit comments on the Co-chairs' draft compilation by 21 March 1998, and requested the secretariat to make them available to the SBI in order to facilitate its work in recommending a decision to the Conference of the Parties at its fourth session. Any submissions received will be made available in a miscellaneous document (FCCC/SBI/1998/MISC.2).

23. At the same session, the SBI also requested the secretariat to organise a workshop, prior to the eighth session of the SBI, with the aim of assisting deliberations on the matter in the light of submissions of initial communications received by the secretariat by that time. A report will be presented to the SBI by the Co-chairs of the workshop.

4. Financial mechanism

(a) Review process referred to in decision 9/CP.1

24. The SBI, at its fifth session, acting upon a request by the COP at its second session (decision 11/CP.2), began to undertake the review process of the financial mechanism referred to in decision 9/CP.1 on the basis of guidelines contained in document FCCC/SBI/1997/6, paragraph 20, and with a view to reporting on the outcome to the COP at its third session. The review process continued throughout the sixth and seventh sessions of the SBI.

25. The COP, at its third session, reaffirmed its decision 9/CP.1, decided to continue the review process through the SBI in accordance with the criteria established in the guidelines above and requested the secretariat to report to the SBI accordingly.

26. The report of the GEF Monitoring and Evaluation Programme will be made available to the eighth session of the SBI (see document FCCC/SBI/1998/MISC.1).

(b) Guidance to the Global Environment Facility

27. The guidance provided so far by the COP to the GEF, as the interim operating entity of the financial mechanism of the Convention, is contained in decisions 11/CP.1 and 11/CP.2. In addition, the guidelines for the preparation of initial national communications from non-Annex I Parties are to serve as policy guidance to the GEF for the provision of support needed by these Parties to meet their obligations under Article 12.1 of the Convention (see annex to decision 10/CP.2).

28. As guidance to the GEF is to be formulated as needs arise, the SBI may wish to keep this item on its agenda and consider, from time to time, whether any further guidance is needed. At this stage, the SBI may take into account any relevant conclusions of the SBSTA with respect to technology information centres and education and public awareness, and any remaining issues regarding the dissemination of initial national communications from non-Annex I Parties, as described in document FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.3, as well as the report of the Monitoring and Evaluation Programme of the GEF.

5. Second review of the adequacy of Article 4, subparagraphs 2 (a) and (b)

29. In accordance with Article 4.2(d) of the Convention, a second review of Article 4, subparagraphs 2 (a) and (b) shall take place not later than 31 December 1998.

30. The Conference of the Parties, at its third session, decided to place the issue of the second review of the adequacy of Article 4.2(a) and (b) on the agenda for its fourth session, and requested the subsidiary bodies and the secretariat to make all necessary preparations to facilitate future consideration of that item (see FCCC/CP/1997/7, para. 63).

31. The SBI may wish to consider action in response to the request of the COP. The SBI will have before it a note by the secretariat (FCCC/SBI/1998/2) on possible elements of the second review.

6. Review of information and possible decisions under Article 4, subparagraph 2 (f) of the Convention

32. Article 4.2(f) of the Convention provides that "the Conference of the Parties shall review, not later than 31 December 1998, available information with a view to taking decisions regarding such amendments to the lists in Annexes I and II as may be appropriate, with the approval of the Party concerned".

33. At its third session, the COP reviewed the lists in Annexes I and II and adopted decision 4/CP.3 by which it decided to delete the name of Czechoslovakia and include the names of Croatia, the Czech Republic, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Slovakia and Slovenia in Annex I to the Convention. The Conference also received and considered a request from Turkey (contained in

document FCCC/CP/1997/MISC.3) to delete its name from the lists in Annexes I and II but could not reach a consensus regarding that request.

34. At the same session, the COP requested the SBI, at its eighth session, to consider the request from Turkey and to submit a report to the COP at its fourth session for consideration and definitive action (FCCC/CP/1997/7, para. 68). The SBI is invited to consider the request from Turkey taking into account document FCCC/CP/1997/MISC.3 and submit its report to COP 4. This report could take the form of a recommendation or draft decision. The SBI may also wish to undertake another review of the lists in Annexes I and II of the Convention on the basis of available information and make a recommendation to COP 4.

7. Implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Convention

35. By its decision 3/CP.3, the COP requested the SBI at its eighth session to undertake a process to identify and determine actions necessary to meet the specific needs of developing country Parties arising from the adverse effects of climate change and/or the impact of the implementation of response measures. The decision indicated that issues for consideration "shall include actions related to funding, insurance and transfer of technology". The COP further requested the SBI to report to COP 4 on the outcome of this process. Based on the conclusions and recommendations of this process, COP 4 is invited to take a decision on the actions. The SBI may wish to consider how this process should be undertaken with a view to making a recommendation to COP 4.

8. Mechanisms for cooperative implementation

36. The Parties may wish to consider in an integrated manner, in the SBSTA and the SBI, further work on activities implemented jointly (AIJ) under the pilot phase (agenda item 8 (a)) and the preparatory work needed for action by COP 4 on the mechanisms for cooperative implementation established by the Kyoto Protocol, as mandated by decision 1/CP.3, paragraphs 5 (b), (c) and (e) (agenda items 8 (d), 8 (b) and 8 (c) respectively). These three mechanisms, established by the Protocol, are addressed in Articles 6 (joint implementation (JI)), 12 (clean development mechanism (CDM)) and 17 (emissions trading) of the Protocol, and are also referred to in its Article 3, paragraphs 10 and 11 (JI and emissions trading) and paragraph 12 (CDM). A coordinated approach to work on all four mechanisms by the SBSTA and the SBI will be proposed by the Chairmen of these bodies after consultations and will be contained in document FCCC/SB/1998/3.

37. The Chairmen will also suggest an approach to preparatory work on the CDM that goes beyond the limited mandate contained in decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5 (e). That mandate refers only to Article 12, paragraph 10, concerning the use of certified emission reductions between 2000 and the start of the first commitment period. It may be assumed that preparatory work on other aspects of Article 12 will be required.

38. In support of their consideration of these matters, the Parties will have before them three documents:

(a) An update on AIJ under the pilot phase (FCCC/SBSTA/1998/INF.3);

(b) A compilation of submissions by Parties on preparatory work needed for COP 4 on the items listed in paragraph 5 of decision 1/CP.3 (FCCC/SB/1998/MISC.1); and

(c) A note by the secretariat on issues related to the three mechanisms for cooperative implementation established by the Protocol. This document (FCCC/SB/1998/2) also deals with linkages between these mechanisms and AIJ.

39. Parties may wish to take note of the information and views contained in the documents, review proposed preparatory work needed for the consideration of the relevant issues by COP 4, give guidance to the secretariat on further work and take other decisions that will lay the ground for action by COP 4.

40. In the light of the mechanisms provided for by Articles 6, 12 and 17 of the Kyoto Protocol, the Parties may wish to determine which elements of work under the AIJ pilot phase could contribute to their functioning. Parties may also wish to initiate preparations for a possible decision to be taken at COP 4 on the AIJ pilot phase, in accordance with decision 5/CP.1.

9. Arrangements for intergovernmental meetings

(a) Arrangements for COP 4

41. By its decision 5/CP.3, the COP accepted with gratitude the generous offer of the Government of Argentina to host COP 4 and decided that the fourth session should be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 2 to 13 November 1998. The COP requested the Executive Secretary to conclude a host country agreement with the Government of Argentina on arrangements for the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties.

42. The SBI will have before it document FCCC/SBI/1998/3 containing information on arrangements being made by the secretariat in connection with COP 4, a list of possible elements for a provisional agenda for the session and suggestions concerning the organization of the work of the session, including the organization of a high-level segment. The SBI may wish to take note of the information received and give guidance on these and any other matters it considers necessary to facilitate the preparations for COP 4.

(b) Calendar of meetings

43. At its third session, the COP adopted the calendar of meetings of Convention bodies for 1998-1999 (FCCC/CP/1997/7, para. 35). The SBI may wish to turn its attention to planning the

calendar of meetings for the period 2000-2001. This would enable the secretariat to make the necessary arrangements. The SBI is also invited to consider the implications of decision 52/445 of 18 December 1997, "Progress in the implementation of conventions relating to sustainable development", adopted by the United Nations General Assembly at its fifty-second session. This decision invites "beginning in the year 2000, the conferences of the parties to the conventions signed at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development or established as a result of the Conference, as well as other conventions relating to sustainable development, to take all appropriate measures to avoid convening their sessions and those of their subsidiary bodies during the sessions of the General Assembly". The SBI will have before it document FCCC/SBI/1998/3.

(c) Date and venue of COP 5

44. Article 7, paragraph 4 of the Convention provides that ordinary sessions of the COP shall be held every year unless otherwise decided by the Conference of the Parties. Consequently, the fifth session of the COP should take place in 1999. A sessional period is currently scheduled for 25 October - 5 November. There are a number of issues that must be addressed by the COP before the end of 1999, such as the programme budget for the biennium 1999-2000 and the review of the institutional linkage of the Convention and the secretariat to the United Nations.

45. A decision on the date and venue of COP 5 must be taken at COP 4. In the context of the traditional rotation of the presidency among the five regional groups, it will be the turn of a member of the Group of Eastern European States to hold that post. Interested Parties are invited to submit offers to host COP 5 by the June meetings of the subsidiary bodies, so that preparations can be made for COP 4 to take the necessary decision in that regard.

(d) Volume of documentation

46. By its decision 18/CP.3, the COP requested the Executive Secretary to explore with the United Nations the possibility of ensuring unrestricted access to all language versions of the documents of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change that the United Nations makes available on its optical disk system through a restricted page on the World Wide Web. The results of these discussions are ongoing. The secretariat will report orally to the SBI when the agenda item is taken up.

10. Administrative and financial matters

(a) Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999

47. At its third session, by its decision 15/CP.3, the COP requested the Executive Secretary to report to the SBI at its eighth session on: (a) the implementation of the conference services contingency budget and (b) the deployment of staff and financial resources to perform the tasks arising from the adoption of the Kyoto Protocol. Document FCCC/SBI/1998/4 contains

information regarding the deployment of posts and financial resources among subprogrammes and objects of expenditure taking into consideration the programme of work and additional tasks arising from the adoption of the Kyoto Protocol. It also provides a brief report on the payment of 1998 contributions. The SBI is invited to take note and approve of the deployment and reallocation of resources and to urge Parties to pay contributions on time and in full.

(b) Financial performance in the biennium 1996-1997

48. By its decision 16/CP.3, the COP requested the Executive Secretary to take the necessary steps to establish a new trust fund for the special annual contribution by the Government of Germany. By paragraph 4 of that decision, COP 3 requested the Executive Secretary to submit to the COP at its fourth session, through the SBI, a final report on financial performance in 1996-1997, including an audited financial statement. In document FCCC/SBI/1998/4, the Executive Secretary reports on the establishment of the new trust fund and on the contributions made for the biennium to all three UNFCCC trust funds. As the report on final expenditures in the biennium had not been received from the United Nations Office at Geneva at the time of preparation of this report, and as the audited financial statements will not be available from the United Nations Board of Auditors until mid-1998, it is recommended that consideration of these items be deferred until the next session. The SBI may wish to take note of the establishment of the new trust fund and to endorse the Executive Secretary's suggestion to report on the actual expenditures to COP 4 through the ninth session of the SBI.

(c) Financial procedures

49. By its resolution 52/215, the General Assembly revised the United Nations scale of assessment, reducing the scale for most of the least developed countries from 0.01 per cent to 0.001 per cent. Considering that the contributions to the core budget are based on the United Nations scale, and in view of the fact that the financial procedures of the Convention stipulate that no Party should contribute less than 0.01 per cent, the SBI is invited to consider three scenarios proposed in document FCCC/SBI/1998/4 and recommend to the Conference of the Parties, for approval at its fourth session, the procedure to be used in determining the indicative scale of contributions to the core budget.

(d) Administrative arrangements

50. The Executive Secretary will report at the session on his discussions with the United Nations on the review of administrative arrangements and the use of overhead resources.

11. Involvement of non-governmental organizations

51. During 1997, the secretariat prepared two papers for the sixth session of the SBI on this agenda item (FCCC/SBI/1997/14 and FCCC/SBI/1997/14/Add.1), and compiled views of governments and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in a further paper

(FCCC/SBI/1997/MISC.7) for the seventh session. The Chairman of the SBI at its seventh session proposed the formation of a contact group to formulate conclusions and recommendations. Given the shortage of time, it was not possible for the group to meet. Consequently, the SBI concluded that it would consider this agenda item at its eighth session.

52. At its seventh session, the SBI also requested the secretariat to advise the SBI on the elements in other United Nations procedures that could be relevant to the development of procedures for the participation of non-governmental organizations in the Convention process. A selection of such relevant procedures will be available to the SBI in document FCCC/SBI/1998/5.

53. It is hoped that, based on the previous papers submitted as well as the additional paper now available, the SBI will finalize its consideration of this item and prepare relevant conclusions and recommendations.

12. Report on the session

54. Because of the time that is likely to be needed for considering all the items on the agenda, a complete draft text of the report may not be available at the end of the session. The SBI may wish to adopt decisions or substantive conclusions, and authorize the Rapporteur to complete the report after the session with the guidance of the Chairman and the assistance of the secretariat. Subject to the availability of sufficient time for their translation, conclusions will be made available in all languages.

Annex

DOCUMENTS BEFORE THE SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR IMPLEMENTATION AT ITS EIGHTH SESSION

Documents prepared for the session

FCCC/SBI/1998/1	Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary
FCCC/SBI/1998/2	Second review of the adequacy of commitments in Article 4, subparagraphs 2 (a) and (b)
FCCC/SBI/1998/3	Arrangements for intergovernmental meetings. Note by the Executive Secretary
FCCC/SBI/1998/4	Administrative and financial matters. Note by the Executive Secretary
FCCC/SBI/1998/5	Mechanisms for consultation with non-governmental organizations
FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.1	Status of the in-depth reviews of the first national communications and schedule of the in-depth reviews of the second national communications from Annex I Parties
FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.2	Nomination of experts for participation in in-depth reviews
FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.3	Report on activities to facilitate financial and technical support and observations on national communications from non-Annex I Parties
FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.3/Add.1	State of preparation of national communications from non-Annex I Parties
FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.4	Report on the status of contributions to the core budget, 1998
FCCC/SBI/1998/MISC.1	Information on relevant action by the Global Environment Facility

FCCC/SBI/1998/MISC.2	Process for consideration of national communications from non-Annex I Parties: comments by Parties on the draft compilation of the co-Chairmen
FCCC/SBSTA/1998/INF.3	Update on activities implemented jointly under the pilot phase
FCCC/SB/1998/1	Allocation to the subsidiary bodies of preparatory work for the first Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. Note by the Chairmen
FCCC/SB/1998/2	Issues related to cooperative implementation
FCCC/SB/1998/3	Organization and schedule of work of the sessions. Additional information
FCCC/SB/1998/MISC.1	Preparatory work needed for COP 4 on the items listed in paragraph 5 of decision 1/CP.3. Submissions by Parties

Other documents for the session

FCCC/CP/1997/7	Report of the Conference of the Parties on its third session, held at Kyoto from 1 to 11 December 1997. Part one: Proceedings
FCCC/CP/1997/7/Add.1	Report of the Conference of the Parties on its third session, held at Kyoto from 1 to 11 December 1997. Part two: Action taken by the Conference of the Parties at its third session
FCCC/CP/1997/MISC.3	Review of information and possible decisions under Article 4.2(f): submission by Turkey
FCCC/CP/1996/15/Add.1	Report of the Conference of the Parties on its second session, held at Geneva from 8 to 19 July 1996. Part two: action taken by the Conference of the Parties at its second session

FCCC/SBI/1997/6	Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on the work of its fifth session, Bonn, 25 February - 7 March 1997
FCCC/SBI/1997/14	Mechanisms for consultations with non-governmental organizations.
FCCC/SBI/1997/14/Add.1	Mechanisms for consultations with non-governmental organizations. Addendum. The participation of non-governmental organizations in the Convention process. Note by the Executive Secretary
FCCC/SBI/1997/19	National communications. Communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention. First compilation and synthesis of second national communications from Annex I Parties
FCCC/SBI/1997/19/Add.1	National communications. Communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention. First compilation and synthesis of second national communications from Annex I Parties. Addendum
FCCC/SBI/1997/MISC.7	Mechanisms for consultations with non-governmental organizations. Compilation of submissions.

Documents available for reference only

FCCC/CP/1995/7/Add.1	Report of the Conference of the Parties on its first session, held at Berlin from 28 March to 7 April 1995. Part two: Action taken by the Conference of the Parties at its first session
FCCC/SBI/1997/8	Financial and technical cooperation. Financial mechanism. Review process referred to in decision 9/CP.1. Synthesis report
FCCC/SBI/1997/21	Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on the work of its seventh session, Bonn, 20 - 29 October 1997

FCCC/SBI/1997/MISC.3 and Add.1	Financial mechanism. Review process referred to in decision 9/CP.1
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